

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Hasler & Co's. Weekly Financial Report says arrangements have recently been entered into between the St. Joseph and Denver City R. R. and the Union Pacific R. R. by which all the through California freight will pass over the line from Hastings to St. Joseph. This cannot but be of great benefit to the St. Joseph and Denver road, and, consequently, to its bondholders.

Alexandria Market, May 18, 1874.

FLOUR, Superfine.....	\$6 25 a 6 75
Extra.....	5 00 a 5 25
Family.....	4 25 a 4 50
WHOLESALE, common to 100.....	9 25 a 9 50
Fair to good.....	1 60 a 1 65
Good to prime.....	1 65 a 1 70
Prime to choice red.....	1 70 a 1 75
Prime choice to white.....	1 75 a 1 80
CORN, white.....	0 85 a 0 90
Mixed.....	0 80 a 0 85
Yellow.....	0 80 a 0 82
RYE.....	0 85 a 0 90
OATS.....	0 65 a 0 70
BUTTER, prime.....	0 30 a 0 35
Common to middling.....	0 20 a 0 25
EGGS.....	0 18 a 0 19
IRISH POTATOES.....	0 10 a 0 15
BACON, Hams, country.....	0 11 a 0 12
Western.....	0 14 a 0 15
Sides.....	0 10 a 0 11
Shoulders.....	0 12 a 0 13
LARD.....	7 50 a 8 00
PLASTER, ground, per ton.....	9 50 a 10 00
Ground, in bags or barrels.....	8 50 a 9 00
Lump.....	5 00 a 5 25
SALT, G. A. (Liverpool).....	1 20 a 1 40
Turkey Island.....	0 35 a 0 40
Wool, common unwashed.....	0 25 a 0 28
Washed.....	0 35 a 0 38
Merino, unwashed.....	0 25 a 0 28
Merino, washed.....	0 35 a 0 38

REMARKS.—Wheat is dull and declining; offerings light, with sales of a prime lot of white at 170, and red at 155 for fair, and 170 and 173 for prime to choice. Corn is active at a decline; prices are quoted 10 off; sales to-day of white at 83, and mixed at 80, 82 and 83; offerings of 1750 bushels. Rye is in light receipt, with sales at 92. Oats are dull; sales at 60, with light offerings.

ALEXANDRIA FISH MARKET, May 18.—The receipts of fresh fish at the city fishwharf since Saturday last have been 300,000 Herrings, which sold at from 5 to 7 per thousand; 6,000 Shad, which sold at from 6 to 9 per hundred, and a small supply of Rock and Perch, which sold at high figures.

RAILROAD RECEIPTS.—The following were the receipts by the W. C. V. M. & G. S. R. R., for the past week:

Corn 2305 bushels, wheat 710, rye 115, oats 505, corn meal 90, mill feed 270, potatoes 275, flour 280 bbls, lard 100 bbls, butter 7 casks, eggs 20 bbls and boxes, hay 237 bales, calves, etc., 27, fowls 1 coop, leather 20 rolls, brooms 50 bundles, hides 4 bundles, fur 16 packs, blooms 11,000 lb, lard 4 firkins, tobacco 22 boxes, wool 11 sacks, calf skins 2, wine 1 cask, wood 7 cords, stoneware 174 pieces, cow tails 1 sack, sundries 15 bbls and boxes, rags 4313 lbs, oak lumber 400 ft, pine lumber 25,000 ft, cattle and sheep 13 cars.

The following were the receipts by the W. & O. R. R.:

Wheat 2186 bushels, corn 2638, oats 276, meal 460, rye 40, potatoes 431, flour 128 bbls, apples 2 bbls, wine 1 bbl, fish 26 bbls, butter 19 bbls and boxes, eggs 51 bbls and boxes, fowls 13 coops, calves and lamb: 101 head, wool 3 bales, rags 19 bbls, hides 2 bundles, dried fruit 2 bags, pines 4, old iron 2000 lbs, wood 2 cars, stock 3 cars, hay 10 cars.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, MAY 18, 1874.
SUN SETS..... 4 47 | MOON SETS..... 10 37
SUN SETS..... 7 05

ARRIVED.

Steamship John Gibson, New York, to Hooe & Johnston.

Steamer Columbia, Baltimore, to B. W. Hest.

She reports passing four light coasters this side of Blackstone's Island, all bound up; also, as passing the bark Theodosius Christian, hence for New York, early yesterday morning off St. Mary's. The Columbia brought a large freight and 85 passengers.

Steamer Pilot Boat, Curriamann, to F. A. Reed.

Schr Maid of the Mist, Havre-de-Grace, to Mehauff & Co.

Schr Kate, Havre-de-Grace, to Mehauff & Co.

Schr Mary Augusta, Philadelphia, to Mehauff & Co.

Schr A. P. Massie, Philadelphia, to Mehauff & Co.

Schr J. H. Huddle, Washington, to Hampshire and Baltimore Coal Co.

Schr Orbit, Baltimore, to W. A. Smoot.

PASSED UP.

Schr Fanny, for Georgetown.

SAILED.

Steamer Georgeanna, Baltimore, by Hooe & Johnston.

Steamer Lady of the Lake, Norfolk, by F. A. Reed.

Schr W. B. Chester, Boston, by Hampshire and Baltimore Coal Co.

MEMORANDA.

Schr Carrie Holmes, hence for Groton, at New London 14th.

Schr Sallie B Jones, for this port, cleared at Baltimore 16th.

Schr Jesse W Knight, hence, at Providence 15th.

Schr James Young, for this port, cleared at New Haven 15th.

CANAL COMMERCE.

Arrivals.—Boats D L Taylor and A Cropley, to George's Creek Coal and Iron Co.; A K Syester, Scotia, Geo Hutton, M O'Conner, Toney Rodier and Wm M Price, to Hampshire and Baltimore Coal Co.; Minnie & Co, to E Francis; S S Howison, Wyant Doerner, M Keresy and J W Burke, to American Coal Co.; J M Resley, R A Wesley, J Spielman, W Doyle, W McMill and L L Mouse, to New Central Coal Company.

Departures.—Boats R Emmitt, Jas Green, J H Stickey, G P Lloyd, R M Sprigg, C Clifton, A Adams, A Cropley, T L Betts, D L Taylor, W P Woods, J M Resley and Minnie & Co.

There will be a meeting of the stockholders and those interested in the establishment of the Alexandria Marine Railway and Ship Building Co., at Harmonie Hall, on to-morrow (Tuesday) evening, the 19th, 1874, at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is requested. The report of the work of the Directors to this date will be read.

my 18-21 W. A. Smoot, President.

COMMISSIONERS' SALE.

Pursuant to the decree of the County Court of Fairfax county, rendered at December Court, 1873, in the suit then pending in that Court of Davis H. Haynes, the undersigned, commissioners named in said decree, will, on MONDAY, the 15th day of June, 1874, Court day, at 12 o'clock m., sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, in front of the Court House door of said county, all that TRACT OF LAND (except twenty-five acres heretofore sold) bequeathed to the said John H. Haynes by the late Isaac Haynes, and being the westerly end of said tract. This land lies on the Little River bank, adjoining the Gooding tavern tract, on the east of the latter; is without buildings, but of kind soil and eligibly located, containing about 100 acres—quantity explained at sale.

Terms of Sale: One-tenth in hand on the day of sale, and the residue in three equal payments at one, two and three years, with interest from the day of sale, to be secured by the notes of the purchaser, with approved security, and the retention of the title to the land.

H. W. THOMAS, Commrs.

THOMAS MOORE, Commrs.

Fairfax county, my 18-w-3

GENTLEMEN CAN HAVE THEIR CLOTHING NICELY RENOVATED BY

WILLIAM A. D. WARFIELD, NO 27 SOUTH FAIRFAX STREET. my 18-6

THE MONTELEONE FEMALE HUMAN

ASSOCIATION, having been organized, CHARLES R. MONTGOMERY, Cashier First National Bank, Alexandria, Va., is authorized to receive subscriptions to the stock of said Association to an amount not exceeding \$10,000. my 18-4*

LOCAL NEWS.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES YESTERDAY.

The weather yesterday was delightful, and large congregations were present in most of the churches. Rev. J. E. Hammer, of Baltimore, preached in the Second Presbyterian Church; Rev. J. S. Phelps, of Camden, in the M. E. Church in the morning; Rev. W. M. Staples, Secretary Virginia Bible Society, in the M. E. Church, South, in the morning; Rev. J. G. Rowe, Agent of the Virginia Bible Society, in the Baptist Church in the morning, and Rev. Dr. Bullock there at night. In the First Presbyterian Church, in the morning, Rev. Dr. Bullcock preached an able and eloquent sermon to a large congregation—larger than used to worship there before the war. It was the first time he preached there under the new arrangement by which he and the sixty eight members of the congregation of the Second Presbyterian Church, who want him to remain their pastor, are to worship in that church. The following is the work done by the Young Men's Christian Association:

"The King and West Streets Sabbath School opened with 40 scholars and a full corps of teachers. Under the new Superintendent this school bids fair to resume the interest, and have the numbers hitherto the good fortune of this school.

"The Alms House services were more largely attended than usual, and there was a large corps of workers on hand, and the exercises were of unusual interest.

"The Jail Mission was diligently worked by a full corps, and full attention was paid by the inmates to the word spoken.

"The Open Air Meeting at the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad depot had a large congregation, and a full committee on hand; they report exceeding interest displayed on the part of the assembly. The usual soul stirring music was rendered on the occasion.

"The Sunday Afternoon Prayer Meeting in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, had but a limited attendance, but the exercises were of the most refreshing and happy character."

This meeting will be held next Sunday in the Methodist Protestant Church.

CIRCUIT COURT.—The Circuit Court for the county, Judge Keith presiding, commenced this morning:

Richard Lloyd, foreman; Jonathan Pierpoint, Wm. Tucker, J. R. Miner, Basil Hall, Stephen Collins, John Bartlett, James Duane, Martin Miller, Samuel Marcy, George Hyde, Robert Byer, Robert Walker, Randolph Birch, C. H. J. Linskey, T. W. Swann and Joseph Markham were sworn a grand jury for the body of the county.

The grand jury found an indictment against Franklin Scott for an attempt to murder; an indictment against Richard Smith for shooting with intent to kill, and an indictment against Cynthia Peyton for an attempt to murder.

The docket was called and various issues at law set for to-morrow, Wednesday and Thursday, and the chancery docket called.

Com. vs. Richard Smith; for shooting with intent to kill; jury, and case in progress.

The case of Scott will be tried to-morrow.

OCCUPATION OF PEABODY SCHOOL BUILDING.

—Long before nine o'clock, this morning, a crowd of boys belonging to the 1st, 2d and 3d grades of Washington School assembled around the new school building on King and Alfred streets, anxious to see their new school rooms.

At 8.45 Superintendent Carne appeared, and directing them to form in line in the room on the corner, had them marched off, under monitors, to rooms 10, 11 and 12, where Mrs. Baggett, and Misses Walsh and Wilson had been placed in charge.

The rule has been established that no boy is to enter the building until fifteen minutes before the school hour, and that all are then to assemble in one room below, and when the bell rings are to be marched up stairs to their proper places, as is done in all other cities.

ALEXANDRIA CANAL COMPANY.—A meeting

of the Directors of the Alexandria Canal Company, elected at the general meeting of stockholders, was held this morning in the chamber of the Board of Aldermen, and an organization effected by the re-election of W. J. Boothe, President, and Peter G. Uhler, Clerk and Treasurer.

The President made a verbal report in which he stated that the canal was now in a better condition than it had ever been since it was transferred to its present lessees.

The meeting then adjourned.

FESTIVAL.—The festival to be given by the

ladies of the congregation of St. Paul Church, will be held at Sarepta Hall on Wednesday and Thursday evenings of this week, and will, doubtless, be one of the most attractive affairs of the kind ever given in this city. A most entertaining feature will be a concert by some of the finest musical talent of the city, volunteered for the occasion. Everything has been arranged to make the festival worthy of the success it deserves, and the lady managers promise to spare no pains to render it most enjoyable to all who attend.

REGISTRATION.—The registration in the three

townships of the county, which closed on Tuesday last, resulted approximately, as follows:—

White. Colored.

Washington Township, 41 29

Arlington " 57 250

Jefferson " 39 115

137 394

Colored majority 257.

White majority in city 578.

White majority in city and county 321.

MARKET ACCOMMODATION.—It was stated

some days ago that the country market people, not having accommodations in the market square, contemplated purchasing or leasing a lot elsewhere in the city, and offering their trucks for sale there. The worthy clerk of the market says there are a sufficient number of unoccupied benches in the market to afford the complainants all the accommodation they desire, but they would use them, preferring to set out in the open square.

FIRST COMMUNION.—At the seven o'clock

Mass at St. Mary's Church, yesterday, sixty-two children, twenty-six boys and thirty-six girls, were admitted to their First Communion.

Seven of the number were colored, quite a large number of colored people being attached to that congregation. A feeling and appropriate address to the children on the solemnity and importance of the act they had performed was delivered by the Rev. Thomas M. Sheerin, assistant pastor.

ESCAPE OF A PRISONER.—Joe Buras, who

was serving out a term of six months imprisonment in the jail for garroting J. W. Chesire, escaped last Saturday afternoon, and has not been heard from since. He was a member of the chain gang, and made his escape while being returned to the jail, but before he had been turned over to the jailor.

PROPERTY SALE.—F. A. Kerby, auctioneer,

on the 16th inst. sold a lot of ground and a two story brick house, on Franklin street, between Lee and Fairfax, belonging to E. S. Jaffray & Co., of New York, to W. H. Kobey, for \$600 cash.

At the meeting of the Catholic Beneficial Society last night it was determined that at the first meeting in June an election should be held for delegates to the State Union, which will meet in Norfolk on the second Wednesday in June. The meetings of the society are now held immediately after vespers, which during the summer will commence at 7 1/2 p. m.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

(SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE GAZETTE.)

FROM WASHINGTON.

CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, May 18, 1874.

In the Senate, this morning, a joint resolution directing the presiding officer of each of the Houses of Congress to declare their several Houses adjourned at 12 m. on the 22d day of June next, was introduced, and after some discussion, laid over, the general opinion being that Congress could not adjourn by that time.

The House of Representatives was engaged with the usual Monday call on the States for bills and joint resolutions. None were introduced from Virginia.

A bill was introduced providing for the audit of all claims from Tennessee for supplies furnished the U. S. army during the late war, whether received for or not, and without regard to the loyalty of the claimant. Laid over.

THE DISTRICT INVESTIGATION.

The Committee of Investigation of District Affairs held no open session to-day until noon, when James E. Gregg was examined and testified that he received 7 1/2 per cent on a contract which he obtained, but on which he did no work except to get the contract.

The Massachusetts Disaster.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Specials from the scene of the Massachusetts flood state that on the west bank of Mill river is the Goshen reservoir, larger by nearly one-half than the bursted Ashfield, to which it has always been reckoned inferior in strength. It is owned by the same men whose own fortunes, their own reservoir has just wrecked. The people of the valley set up Saturday three messengers in quick succession to get the gate-way of the Goshen reservoir opened and left open till the dam could be examined and strengthened if necessary. The gate keepers refused to open it and finally Saturday night an agent of the water company, went up in person and compelled him to let off the water. Here there are two reservoirs one above the other in the same line, the lower and larger 12 years old and the latter new. The people of Mill river valley have promised to themselves that no want of care shall make possible such another overwhelming disaster. At seven o'clock in the morning the great bell of the Northampton old church tolled solemnly, calling the people together to search for missing bodies. Notices were placed in conspicuous places which read, "All able bodied men are summoned to the relief of the people of Mill river valley." Accordingly Maine street was filled with men and youths eager to join in whatever expedition was led. Lieut. Gov. Talbot was there and aided the local authorities in organizing a relief train full of men which left Northampton depot at 6.30 o'clock for Florence, Leeds and Haydensville. Wagon and every kind of vehicle were pressed into similar service. Parties started out on foot and worked along the woods skirting the river and railroad. Rumors as to the dams having leaked for the last week or two are rife, but it is also stated that they had been inspected on Friday and reported "all right." The man who took up the cry at Haydensville and carried it to Leeds was Myron Day. A little before eight o'clock while all the people of this place were just going to work or finishing their breakfasts, their attention was attracted by the appearance of Myron Day from Haydensville on a horse shouting wildly, "The reservoir is broken! save yourselves, for a flood is at hand." He rushed for the bridge over the dam and had got about half way over it when the roar of the coming waters was heard by the inhabitants, who by this time stood at the door-steps. He dashed toward Florence and the people looked north toward north dam and saw there what seemed to them as the crest of an enormous moving wall fifty feet high. They knew what it was and rushed wildly up the slopes to safe quarters. Their houses were left just as they stood with tables spread for breakfast and children getting ready for school. In less than three minutes the stone dam given away and the great column of water, laden with frame houses, pianos, sewing machines, boilers, iron wheels, huge grist mill machinery, cows, sheep, poultry and human beings from Haydensville plunged into the valley of Leeds. Measures for immediate relief have been instituted at Haydensville. Mr. Hayden sent out a notice to rebuild his works and offers to employ all those who ever worked for him, and as many more as are ready in clearing away the debris and making preparations for the work. Back wages will also be paid and persons in want of immediate aid will receive it from Hayden, Gere & Co., by applying to their book-keeper. Aid is freely extended by all the townships in the vicinity and the mayors of New Haven, Springfield and Watertown have tendered any assistance that is asked of them. Watertown places the residue of the Chicago fund at the disposal of the sufferers.

The living are, and will be amply provided

for. Meanwhile all popular anxiety is felt concerning the dead and missing, who, it is dreaded, will number far more than any one has anticipated heretofore. The people of Northampton believe there are dozens of French Canadians not known in the district for any length of time, buried under the ruins at Leeds and Haydensville and the Meadows between. Hundreds of acres are covered with remnants of the sad villages which once adorned the tract of country running eight miles through Hampshire county and now a barren waste of land, stones, ruins and corpses. Ladies and children in Northampton are contributing to the wants of the living by sending garments to the committee at the town hall. To devise further aid a meeting to-day will be held at Town Hall, and this morning again trains full of men were to be sent to clear away and build up, temporarily, at least, on the ruins of the villages. One of the heroes of the occasion is Collins Graves, a milk man, who was at the lively stable in Williamsburg when gate keeper Cheney was trying to get some one to spread the news below.

To Suspend.

READING, Pa., May 18.—The Eagle announces that the wool hat manufacturers union of the state resolved to suspend all operations by the close of the week, throwing thousands of people out of employment here.

Weather Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, May 18, 11 a. m.

For the northern portion of the Middle States light rain, followed by clearing and cool weather, north to west winds and rising barometer.

The Markets.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Stocks dull and lower. Money 3. Gold 12. Flour steady. Corn quiet and unchanged. Wheat quiet and steady.

BALTIMORE, May 18.—Virginia sixes, old 32. West Virginias 11; consolidated 51. Cotton quiet, but firm; low middlings 18 1/2. Flour dull; Baltimore high grades declined 2c. Howard street and Western Superfine 4 50 a 5 50; do Extra 6 50 a 7 50; do Family 7 25; City Mills Superfine 4 50 a 5 50; do Extra 7 50 a 8 25; do Family 8 25 a 10 25. Wheat dull; white choice 180; fair to prime do. 160 a 175; choice amber 175 a 178; good to prime red 165 a 172; common to fair do. 160 a 165; Pennsylvania red 16 1/2; Ohio and Indiana 16 1/2 a 15 1/2; Western Spring 16 1/2. Corn active and strong for Southern; white Southern 88 50; yellow Southern 85; mixed Western 84 for new and old. Oats firm; Southern 64 70; Western mixed 62 63; do white 64 65. Rye quiet at 103 a 105. Hay steady and unchanged. Provisions quiet.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

A committee consisting of Robert Hopkins, John A. Seaton, Magnus Robinson and R. L. Mitchell waited upon Col. M. D. Ball, on Saturday last, to know if he would accept a nomination for Mayor. Col. Ball declined, but with reference to accepting a nomination for Commonwealth's Attorney, said he would let them know before the election.

It is customary for the sexton of Christ Church to lock the gallery door of that church after service has commenced. Yesterday morning some persons were compelled to retire, and in order to effect an exit had to drop notes down from the gallery, asking who ever they fell upon to tell the sexton to let them out.

The Radicals of the 2d Ward will hold a meeting to-morrow night in the house on Fairfax street, north of Princess, formerly occupied by Wm. Fannon, for the purpose of electing delegates to the city convention and nominating a candidate for the Board of Aldermen and a Common Council ticket.

The butcher's wagon of Mr. Bendheim, while coming down King street early last Saturday night, broke down near the intersection of Pitt street, and its two occupants, George Sutton and Polly Rushman, were thrown out and badly bruised by the wheels of the vehicle, which passed over them.

There were two slight alarms of fire early last night, caused, one by the stump of a lighted cigar, and the other by the burning end of a match that had been accidentally thrown among some scraps of paper on the floor of two stores on King street. No damage was done.

Mr. Thos. E. Kemp has been awarded the contract for building two first-class three-story brick residences for Messrs. Downham and Green, on Washington street, just north of Christ Church rectory.

It is not certain that the State Journal newspaper will be removed from Richmond to this city, an offer for the purchase of the establishment with a view of continuing its publication in Richmond having been made.

Dr. Lewis yesterday at the Alexandria Infirmary performed, what from present indications will prove, a successful operation for catarract upon an elderly lady named Mrs. Hudson.

The hands employed in the shops of the Virginia Midland Railroad Company in this city went to work this morning on full time. They had been working on half time for some months past.

A party from this city visited the fishing shore at Ferry Landing yesterday, witnessed the hauling of the seine there, and were hospitably entertained by Mr. Knight, the gentlemanly proprietor.

James Brawner, one of the old colored residents of the city, who before the war drove an ash cart, and since the war has been employed by Mr. Reed in the delivery of ice, died last night.

The delegates from the Episcopal Churches in this city will leave here to-morrow morning to attend the council of the church which will assemble on Wednesday in Charlottesville.

Capt. Joe Denty's tug boat, the Smith Pett, was completed to-day, and with all her flags flying and a happy party on board, made a successful trial trip.

It is understood that Capt. J. M. Stewart, City Sergeant, will be a candidate for re-election, and will be voted for at the primary election.

In the U. S. Circuit Court in Richmond, on Saturday, before Judge Bowd, the petition of H. S. Wattle, assignee of M. Eldridge, was dismissed.

Three detectives from Baltimore and Washington were here this morning on the lookout for the prisoners who lately escaped from the jail at Towson town.

It is said more persons were seen on the streets last Saturday night in an inebriated condition than on any one night for years previous.

The steamer Lady of the Lake returned yesterday from Baltimore, whither she had gone for repairs, and started on her regular trip to Norfolk this afternoon.

Large numbers of persons from Washington visited this city yesterday—a few of whom attended the churches, while many received spiritual aid from another sort.

The Alexandria Library is in receipt of a large number of valuable documents from U. S. Senator M. C. Hamilton, of Texas.

A term of the U. S. District Court, Judge R. W. Hughes, will be held in this city on the 30th inst.

A letter addressed to Bradley, Garretson & Co., Philadelphia, Pa., is detained in the Post Office here for want of postage.

A young man named Charles Golway, while shooting in the country yesterday with a pistol, had his hand accidentally wounded.

Mrs. Harry Javins died at her home on the opposite side of Cameron run, yesterday morning, after giving birth to two dead children.

A meeting of those interested in the shipyard now being established in this city will be held at Harmonie Hall to-morrow night.

It will be seen by his card in to-day's Gazette, that ex-Mayor Latham has withdrawn as a candidate for the Mayoralty.

Both the steam fire engines, which have been lately undergoing some slight alterations, are now in thoroughly efficient condition.

POLICE REPORT.—The following cases have been reported at police headquarters since yesterday:

George Lucas, for stealing half a box of cigars from George Bossart, was committed to jail for twenty days.

John Boswell, for implication in the above theft, was discharged for want of evidence.

Job Epperson, colored, for disorderly conduct, was fined and discharged.

Algie Myers, for stealing \$15 from Kate Davis,